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AT GENERAL HAMLETT S LUNCHEON FOR SENATOR HUMPHREY TODAY MAYOR BRANDT MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:

1. SOVS THREATENING NOT RPT NOT ONLY ALLIED RIGHTS IN AND ACCESS TO BERLIN. AT STAKE IS SURVIVAL OF CITY WHICH IS ALREADY DEP-ENDENT ON WEST GERMAN ACCESS CONTROLLED BY EAST GERMANS. HE REMARKED THAT TO DATE NO RPT NO VISIBLE EVIDENCE PANIC OR LARGE SCALE WITHDRAWAL OF CAPITAL.

WEST SHOULD CONSIDER COUNTERMOVES NOT RPT NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO BERLIN, SUCH AS SUSPENSION GENEVA TALKS.

IF SOV NOTE ANNOUNCING UNILATERAL MODIFICATION BERLIN STATUS IS HANDED WEST REPRS. NOTE SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE ACCEPTED OR SHOULD BE RETURNED PROMPTLY.

IF SOVIETS CARRY THROUGH APPARENT INTENTIONS MAYOR SAID HE SUGGESTED TO BRENTANO FEDREP SHOULD SEVER DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SOV UNION.

BRANDT EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT WEST APPEARS TO BE UNREADY TAKE INITIATIVE AND IS MERELY AWAITING NEXT SOV MOVE.

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